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MONTHLY REPORT

Secretary Coleman Tells of Y. M. C. A. Work.

TREASURER BEARDMORE REPORTS

Healthy Condition of Gymnasium.

Team for Races—Uniform Adopted—No Short Trou-sers Allowed.

The following were the reports read at the regular monthly meeting of the Y. M. C. A.:

REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY FOR MAY, 1897.

Honolulu, H. I., June 1, 1897.
The past month has shown a marked activity in the work of the association. The organization of the work is encouraging. The office receipts for the month were \$90, \$44.50 of which was for hall rent. The expense was \$17.15 leaving a balance of \$72.85 turned over to the treasurer. During the month there have been seven committee meetings held, with a total attendance of 28. The Secretary, with others, conducted one service on the Philadelphia, and the other religious work has been well kept up as will be shown by the committee's report. The Employment Committee has not yet met to organize their work, but three positions have been filled by applicants sent them an appropriate application. The Reception Committee has organized for its work and will probably report at this meeting.

On the 27th and 28th the Secretary accompanied the Board of Health on their trip to the leper settlement in the interests of the association there. I found that they have digressed from the association idea to some extent, and have organized more on the Christian Endeavor idea. However, I had a conference with some of the officers, who seemed right anxious for the association idea to be reinstated, but it was not thought best to recommend any radical change. I left with them some literature on association work and encouraged them to take up a line of Bible study for personal work, which they agreed to do, and for which I agreed to send them an appropriate course of study. At the present time the hall is used for their Gospel meetings and debates, but it was suggested that it might be made of more daily use if they could have literature sent them regularly to be kept on the tables arranged for the purpose. So I would like to ask for the association to give to the Educational Committee permission to send to the settlement such papers or magazines as will be desirable, regularly as they are taken from the tables. It was also suggested that they could make use of some games, and I think it would be good for us to try and send them something in this line (this might be left with the Reception Committee to avoid impressing a new one). I have strong impressions that a good work may be done among these unfortunate people, but it will take a constant supervision and by keeping in close touch with them by correspondence and visits as frequently as possible may be of great value to them and the cause generally.

Respectfully submitted,
H. E. COLEMAN,
General Secretary.

Honolulu, H. I., June 7, 1897.
The Physical Committee has held three meetings for the consideration of various items of business during the past month. The attendance at the gymnasium for this term has been very good, on account of the preparation made for the closing exhibition, which took place on the 3d inst. The total number visiting the gymnasium on class nights for the month of May is 293. Outside of this, there are eight evenings on which the numbers were not taken.

Three cots have been purchased at a cost of \$12, and these are now being used by the boys who are training for the coming bicycle races, etc.

Your committee make the following recommendations for consideration by the association:

1. That we adopt a gymnasium suit, to consist of white shirt, one-quarter sleeve, and dark blue pants, with elastic fastening underneath shoe.

2. That the association adopt representative colors, and we suggest either dark purple and old gold, or blue and pink.

As already stated above, the closing exercises of the gymnasium took place on the evening of the 3d inst., at which

about 200 persons attended, and testified their appreciation of the work done by the members. All the boys seem to show great improvement, and we are sure that many of those who attended to see the result of their work last Thursday evening will look forward with pleasurable anticipation to another such exhibition.

It has been decided to close the gymnasium until the second week in September, for both junior and senior members; although persons desiring to exercise may do so by obtaining special permission.

Mr. Coleman was elected to act as manager for a team to be entered in the coming sports, June 23d, in order that we may endeavor to carry out our idea of interesting the young men in outdoor sports when the gymnasium is closed. Respectfully submitted,
B. F. BEARDMORE,
Chairman, Physical Committee.

The treasurer's statement showed receipts \$298 23
Expenditures 293 65
Balance cash on hand.....\$ 4 58

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The checker tournament at the Y. M. C. A., the beginning of a series of contests in various games, will commence on June 12th. Entries are now open at the office of the general secretary. Here is a chance for Honolulu experts to show what stuff they are made of.

The bicycle team is coming on in fine shape, and in the races of the 11th, 12th and 23d, it would not be a great surprise to see some of the plums fall in the Y. M. C. A. basket. Following are the riders, with the names of their wheels: Charles Murray, Remington; Tom King, Remington; Sam Johnson, Cleveland; D. G. Sylvester, Sterling; and J. Eakin, Syracuse.

Young Taxidermist.

John Seabury, the young taxidermist who is Dr. M. E. Grossman's assistant, has returned from Oiaa, where he went some three weeks ago to collect various native birds in response to calls from several visitors from the States who wish to carry back home with them something distinctly Hawaiian. Seabury succeeded in collecting 72 birds in all, and has already begun the work of mounting them. The young man has quite a faculty for this kind of work, and studies daily to perfect himself in the art. He has done a large number of pieces for people on the islands and his work is very highly praised.

Honor to Mrs. Walters.

It appears that Hawaii has quite a remarkable interest in the new Washington monument, recently unveiled in Philadelphia. When Miss Rena Herbert, now the wife of Dr. Walters, was in Berlin during 1890 she was selected by A. Seigmund as a type of American beauty. At the request of the sculptor, Miss Herbert posed as a model for the figure representing America that now adorns the front of the Philadelphia monument. This pretty tribute to one of the daughters of Hawaii is highly appreciated by her relatives and friends.

Cowboys' Sport.

Report has it that two cowboys performed an act on Nuuanu avenue in the vicinity of the electric light works, Saturday afternoon, which renders them fit subjects for striped suits. Coming down the road, they met a lone Chinaman walking up toward the Pali. Whether for fun or to profit by the funds which the Chinaman might have had about him, the two horsemen used their lassos to drag the fellow all over the road, and this completed, pelted him with rocks just to make a good job of it. The Chinaman was picked up in an unconscious state.

Circuit Court News.

The will of Samuel Savidge was admitted to probate yesterday, and Sarah Savidge was appointed administratrix. The will of Julia H. Waterhouse was also admitted to probate, and Henry Waterhouse was appointed administrator.

The annual accounts of J. M. Dowsett, executor of the estate of H. M. Stillman, were filed yesterday.

By agreement, the case of Frank F. Porter vs. the Hawaiian Pork and Packing Company, will be continued to the November term of court.

Escaped the Guard.

Benjamin Ritchey, a bluejacket, tried by court-martial recently, and sentenced to a term in San Quentin for an unnatural crime, escaped from on board the Marion between 1 and 5 p. m. Sunday night while in irons and under a guard of three men. A reward of \$50 has been offered for his capture. It goes without question that the man has some pretty wily friends.

THE HAWAIIAN GAZETTE (SEMI-WEEKLY) IS ISSUED ON TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS.

IN WASHINGTON

Hawaiian Delegation Watching Every Point.

TARIFF MEASURE PREDOMINATES

Views of Prominent Club Men on Situation.

Cuban and Hawaiian Affairs May Be Brought Up—Lack of Promised Prosperity.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The coming debate on the tariff, and the multitude of interests involved still keep the Hawaiian matter in the background. A crowd of constituents follow every Senator, and each pumps into him his own grievances.

He who pumps Hawaiian matters, finds the tank very full at present. At the same time, Senators are courteous and listen.

The great newspapers are now fighting the Sugar Trust on well considered lines. The New York Herald has retained ex-Postmaster General Wilson to analyze the sugar schedule and expose its jugglery. It is a fight with facts, and not pyrotechnics and blind invective. Those who represent Hawaiian interests are doing good service on these lines. Even if the Sugar Trust desired to kill the reciprocity treaty and annexation, it would prefer to postpone action in that direction until the sugar schedules are arranged. It now has a long line of its own frontier to defend, and hesitates about offensive movements elsewhere. It is an excellent instance of the prevalence of false intelligence that many legislators here believe that the sugar planters of the Islands are controlled by the trust. This arises from the simple fact that the trust buys Hawaiian sugar. If you inform a man in the most positive manner that such a relation does not exist, he forgets the statement in a few days. The political world here has many other things to do besides watching Hawaii.

The amendment to the Senate tariff bill, offered on the 18th, by Senator McHenry, of Louisiana, protecting the reciprocity clause, is the act of a declared enemy of Hawaii. The speculative explanation is that he and his associates do not deem it best to attack the treaty indirectly at present. They would prefer to bring up the matter of annexation and the abrogation of the treaty at the next session of Congress and concentrate their forces on the sugar schedules. This is probably good politics.

The Evening Star, in an editorial, calls attention to the letter signed "Kamehameha," published in its columns. As it is sent from Honolulu, and is fair and judicial in its tone, it will be accepted by its readers as a truthful account of the Japanese affair. All extravagant statements at once excite suspicion that the Hawaiian party is "playing a game." The opinion here is still held that the Senate will refuse to discuss the matter of annexation or reciprocity to any extent in the coming debate. But some hot-tempered Senator may tread on somebody's coat tails and precipitate a row.

In the Union League Club, of New York city, there was, several days ago, an informal discussion of the Hawaiian matter among several prominent members. It indicated the drift of thought among conservative men in the Eastern States. The prevailing idea may be taken from the talk of one of them, identified with the Republican party. He said: "The last election and the events of the last few years suggest that Republican institutions are not going to have a 'walk-over' and that some serious matters are before us. We set up some new States in the West, believing that they would help the party, but they have hit us in the face on the silver question. As to annexing more territory, would it not be better to put in order what we now have, instead of trying more experiments. Here is Cuba, just within sight. If we annex Hawaii, why not annex Cuba? Both places have a mongrel population. Putting American trousers on Chinamen don't Americanize them. Everyone knows that if we annex either country we must rule by the bayonet. That sort of government has

no place in our republican system. We have tried it with the Indians and made a miserable failure of it. If we had a colonial system like that of Great Britain, we could handle the matter without difficulty. But we have not. We are not educated in that way. The educated British bayonet is a great power in distant countries. It knows just how to do it. We shall need Hawaii for commercial purposes in the future. It is not a burning question now. If we must take her now or never, how shall it be done? It is foolish to say that 5,000 Europeans can rule 100,000 people of other races, without force being at command somewhere. That means arbitrary government. It may all be a small affair, but a cinder as small as a pin's head in the eye of an elephant may be very troublesome."

Another said: "Reciprocity seems to make the Islands Asiatic and not American. Why does it work that way? Some years ago we put the money question to the front—the trade advantages. But we now see that an intelligent community is of more importance than a rich one. The West is against us in many ways. It is in a great hurry, and will not stop to think. It likes to boom things, to have excitement; will take chances on anything. It would annex Mexico, if it could, or even South America. We are all very friendly to Hawaii, and would like to see her prosperous and perhaps independent. We want her as an outpost in some way. The question of annexation is more serious now than it was three years ago."

One can see, in the discussions of these men how much temperament has to do with opinion. Those who are optimists and believe in the great destiny of the United States are more willing to take chances than those who are more conservative in thought.

There is also another element which tends to destroy hopeful views here. The election of McKinley has not brought the prosperity expected. The mass of those voting for him believed in an immediate rise in prices. It has not come. Mr. John Wanamaker declares that unless there is speedy prosperity the Democrats will soon be in power.

These views of mine refer more generally to the future than to the immediate present. The Senate made the original reciprocity treaty, and it is under some moral obligation to keep its own treaty in effect.

No Senator shows more persistent resolution to maintain the treaty and secure annexation than Senator Kyle. He takes broad views on the question. It is very fortunate for Hawaii that his early acquaintance and long friendship with one of the "missionary" families led him to earnestly study the matter, and resolve, after due consideration, to take a bold stand. As it now stands, his vote may be necessary to Republican success on the tariff question. That vote, it is said, will stand like a rock in any path leading to the abrogation of the treaty.

Mr. E. L. Fitzgerald has sent a lengthy dispatch to the California Senators here, stating that the continuance of reciprocity will result in the introduction of white labor into the Islands, and eventually displace Asiatics. This immigration will tend to increase the consumption of American goods, and equalize the benefits of the treaty.

Senator White declares that he is anxious to obtain reliable information on the subject, and will give it due weight in reaching any conclusions.

The decisive vote of the Senate on belligerency may precipitate very soon a discussion of Cuban annexation, and involve that Hawaiian question also. They stand on entirely different footings, of course, but may be mixed up in any discussion.

The Cuban matters have reached an acute stage, and in spite of the intention of Congress to debate only the tariff bill, it may be forced by popular sentiment to adopt a vigorous policy. As it is a novel question, there will be much difference of opinion about it.

W. N. A.

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